

**AQAA**  
**DAR COUNCIL ACTIVITY REPORT**  
**05 March 1997**

**FAR/DFARS Cases Discussed:**

96-002	<b>Certificate of Competency:</b> Removes the Walsh-Healey determination from the Certificate of Competency process, and allows differences between the agency and the SBA to be appealed to the SBA Headquarters vice the SBA Central Office for resolution. Includes CAAC revisions as modified by OSD SADBUs' comments.	Agreed to draft interim rule, as edited.
90-009F	<b>Electronic Funds Transfer:</b> Broadens use of electronic funds transfer for contract payments.	Agreed to draft proposed rule, as edited. However, draft will be re-coordinated with Cmte and OSD and then re-labeled by the DAR Council.
96-319	<b>Information Technology:</b> Implements Division E of the FY96 Defense Authorization Act. Revises FAR to incorporate statutory provisions on information technology management.	Agreed to draft final rule.
96-018	<b>Use of Brand Name Purchase Descriptions:</b> Provides for the use of brand name or equal purchase descriptions. CAAC proposed substantial revisions to draft proposed rule.	DARC discussed and nonconcurred with all CAAC revisions. Nonconcurrence will be referred to CAAC.
97-D006	<b>Submission of Commercial Freight Bills:</b> Deletes clause at DFARS 252.242-7002, Submission of Commercial Freight Bills for Audit, and its prescription at 242.1404-2-70(a). [Superseded by FAR 52.247-67.]	Agreed to DFARS final rule. DARC will revisit FAR threshold with GSA.
97-D003	<b>Program Manager Definition:</b> Defines "program manager" (PM) and "deputy program manager" (DepPM) for the purpose of Procurement Integrity.	DARC recommended that "PM"/"DepPM" <u>not</u> be defined in DFARS. Each military Service defines "program" and PM/Dep PM differently. Agreed to close case.